## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IOWA DEPARTMENT OF [261]

## **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code sections 15.104 and 15.106, the Iowa Department of Economic Development hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 103, "Information Technology Training Program," Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendments update Iowa Code citations; add references to 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 142, which permits moneys in the Innovation and Commercialization Fund to be used for information technology training; expand the program to businesses outside the targeted industries of biosciences, advanced manufacturing, and information technology; and limit eligible equipment or software costs to \$1,000, respectively.

Public comments concerning the proposed amendments will be accepted until 4 p.m. on September 2, 2009. Interested persons may submit written or oral comments by contacting Kim Bentley, Program Manager, Innovation and Commercialization Division, Iowa Department of Economic Development, 200 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50309; telephone (515)725-3193.

A public hearing to receive comments about the proposed amendments will be held from 3:30 to 4 p.m. on September 2, 2009, at the above address in the ICN/Main Conference Room.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 15.411(5) and 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 142.

The following amendments are proposed.

- ITEM 1. Amend **261—Chapter 103**, parenthetical implementation statutes, as follows: (15,83GA,SF142)
- ITEM 2. Amend rule 261—103.1(15,83GA,SF142) as follows:
- 261—103.1(15,83GA,SF142) Authority. The authority for establishing rules governing the information technology training program under this chapter is provided in 2007 Iowa Acts, House File 829, section 1(5) Iowa Code section 15.411(10).
  - ITEM 3. Amend subrule 103.6(2) as follows:
- **103.6(2)** Equipment and software, when used for training, may be an allowable cost. If equipment or software is purchased for use in training but is subsequently retained for use in the general operation of the applicant's business, only the prorated portion of the equipment or software costs directly related to the training shall be eligible for program funding. <u>Prorated costs for equipment or software shall not exceed \$1,000</u>, respectively.
  - ITEM 4. Amend rule 261—103.7(15,83GA,SF142) as follows:
- **261—103.7(15,83GA,SF142)** Eligible business. To be eligible for this program, the business, or a department of the business, must be engaged in the delivery of information technology services in the targeted industries of biosciences, advanced manufacturing, or information technology as identified by the North American Industry Classification System, and the business must be located in Iowa.
  - ITEM 5. Amend subrule 103.13(3) as follows:
- **103.13(3)** Reporting. An applicant shall submit any information requested by the department in sufficient detail to permit the department to prepare the report required pursuant to 2007 Iowa Acts,

House File 829, section 10, Iowa Code section 15.104(9) "1" and any other reports deemed necessary by the department, the board, the general assembly or the governor's office.

ITEM 6. Amend **261—Chapter 103**, implementation sentence, as follows:

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code Supplement section 15.411(5) and 2009 Iowa Acts, Senate File 142.